



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroto HORIKAWA Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/139,296 Examiner: P. Kim

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For: STAGE UNIT, DRIVE TABLE, AND SCANNING EXPOSURE APPARATUS USING

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REQUEST TO EXPRESSLY ABANDON APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests that the above-identified application be expressly abandoned as of today, January 13, 2005.

The appropriate Patent Office official is requested to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below if there are any questions, or if anything further is required in order to expressly abandon this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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